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Van Nuys Neighborhood Council General Board Meeting AGENDA

Wednesday, November 13, 2024
7:00PM

Conference room of the
Marvin Braude Constituents
Building, 6262 Van Nuys Blvd,
Van Nuys, CA 91401

(SE corner of Van Nuys Blvd. and
Sylvan St.)

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Comments from the public on agenda items will be heard only when the respective item is being considered. Comments from the public on other matters not appearing on the agenda that are within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard during the General Public Comment period. Please note that under the Brown Act, the Board is prevented from acting on a matter that you bring to its attention during the General Public Comment period; however, the issue raised by a member of the public may become the subject of a future Board meeting.

A reminder to those attending: during Public Comment, you may hear colorful language that some might find offensive. The Van Nuys Neighborhood Council has no ability to control or regulate the content of speech that is protected under the 1st Amendment.

Public comment is limited to a maximum of 2 minutes per speaker per item with a maximum of 10 minutes total per meeting, unless adjusted by the presiding officer of the Board. **Actual time for each comment will be recorded in 30 second increments (i.e., 30 sec., 1 min., 90 sec., 2 min.).**

Stakeholders are asked to respect the timekeeper when you are alerted that your time has expired.

Van Nuys Neighborhood Council Boardmembers are reminded not to cut off, interrupt, or otherwise engage with Stakeholders during their allotted time for Public Comment.

Speakers shall limit their comments to matters relevant to the item on the agenda. The Chair may rule that the speaker is out of order if the comments are not germane to the item under consideration.

Speakers shall direct their comments to the Board (not to an individual).

Stakeholders are welcome to offer comments -- both during General Public Comment and Public Comments on specific agenda items -- but the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council requests that Stakeholders do not disrupt the meeting for other Stakeholders in attendance. We ask that Stakeholders refrain from calling out or participating in behavior that would disrupt the Board Meeting of the Van Nuys Neighborhood Council. Stakeholders will be given an initial warning. There may be two additional warnings before the stakeholder is asked to leave the meeting due to disruptions of the meeting.

All public comments must be made into the microphone at the lectern to facilitate the capture of a clear recording of the meeting.

1. Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

2. Reports from Government officials:

a. **Report from LAPD** Van Nuys Division - <https://vnnc.org/resource/>

b. **Report from LAFD**

c. **Reports from other Government officials (2 min each)**

- Jake Miller, Department of Animal Services, East Valley Shelter
- Council District 2 – Arus Grigoryan arus.grigoryan@lacity.org 818-210-1504 (cell)
- Council District 4 – Taleen Keuroghlian taleen.keuroghlian@lacity.org
- Council District 6 –
- Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) – Alfonso Manzo alfonso.manzo@lacity.org
- Mayor’s office – Betsaira Aguilera betsaira.aguilera@lacity.org (213) 257-0224
- LAUSD Board District 3
- Metro staff
- Los Angeles County 3rd District (Lindsay Horvath) – Karen Dominguez KDominguez@bos.lacounty.gov
- Assembly District 46 (Jesse Gabriel) – Clarissa Gomez Clarissa.Gomez@asm.ca.gov
- Senate District 20 (Caroline Menjivar) – Teodora Reyes Teodora.reyes@sen.ca.gov
- California Congressional District 29 – Laura Juarez laura.juarez@mail.house.gov

3. **Discussion and possible action to fill** Youth seat with applicant Connor Chiu, student at Van Nuys High School.

<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Youth-Board-Member-application.pdf>

4. Delano Park Handball Court Committee shares community concerns (up to 5 min.).
5. **General Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items** – maximum of 2 min per stakeholder
(Note that topics discussed must be within the jurisdiction of the VNNC.)

6. **Officer Reports**

- a. President
 - Update on ESFV Light Rail line: (1) opportunity to advocate for the planting of native trees along the route on Van Nuys Blvd., as well as information about utility work that may reduce selected segments of Van Nuys Blvd. to 2 lanes in each direction and no parking, starting in January 2025.
 - A printed copy of VNNC General Board Meeting agendas and linked files can be reviewed in a reference notebook that will be located at the Van Nuys Branch Library.
 - For information on upcoming local events and services, look under the Events list on the right side of the homepage of the vnnc.org website and on the calendar.
 - Openings for a Homeless Liaison, 2 Budget Representatives, and a Regional Grievance Panelist.
 - 2025 election for Neighborhood Councils will only be by mail-in ballot. More info to come.
- b. Vice-President
- c. Secretary – Vacant
- d. Treasurer
- e. Parliamentarian

7. **Action items from the Budget and Finance Committee requiring a roll call vote**

- a. Discussion and possible action to approve the September MER.
https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/VNNC_MER_September2024-1.pdf
- b. Discussion and possible action to approve a Neighborhood Purposes Grant not to exceed \$3000 for Meals in Motion, with the condition that Meals in Motion provide advance notice of meal events and invite the VNNC Outreach Committee to have one or more Board members attend whenever possible.
<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Meals-in-Motion-Van-Nuys-NC-NPG-report-and-new-application-110424.pdf>

- c. Discussion and possible action to approve payment of an overdue invoice from City of Los Angeles – Publishing Services in the amount of \$40.50 for business card printing in 2020.

https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Publishing-Services_inv2002987-1.pdf

8. Report from the Outreach Committee

- a. Report from the Outreach Committee on participation in Halloween events on October 25 at the Van Nuys Recreation Center and October 31 at the Delano Recreation Center.

9. Action item and report from the PLUM Committee

- a. Discussion and possible action: Bringing art to Van Nuys in collaboration with California Artist Coalition of Los Angeles by using the 1% art developer’s fees from the Cultural Affairs Department. Presentation by Ms. Ayndrea Wilson. Ms. Wilson will present to the board on how Van Nuys can bring art through California Artist Coalition of Los Angeles. In addition, she will present an artist and site as a possible 1st collaboration with the VNNC.
- b. Announcement: Submittals for historical preservation in Van Nuys. The PLUM committee is asking the board and the general public to nominate historical places in Van Nuys for a possible landmark status for preservation. Southeast Valley Community Plans Update (SEVCPU) team and City Planning’s Office of Historic Resources (OHR) on November 20, 2024 at 6 p.m. will have a virtual meeting workshop to focus on historic preservation possibilities in the Southeast Valley. Please use the Zoom link below to join the Webinar.

<https://planning-lacity-org.zoom.us/j/87965702224>

Meeting ID: 879 6570 2224

10. Discussion and possible action on an animal welfare issue

- a. Discussion and possible action on a motion proposed by Dalilah Perez-Vigo for the VNNC to sponsor the virtual adoption of an animal that is currently at the East Valley Animal Shelter. (Virtual adoption means that the VNNC would share information about the animal’s availability for adoption on its website, on social media, and in its monthly e-blast.)

11. Discussion and possible action to appoint one or two Board Members to join the Public Safety, Human Services, and Animal Welfare Committee.

12. Update on unresolved topic.

- a. If (with addition of a new member) we have 14 Board members present, we could consider a motion to adopt the option provided in SB 411 to hold some of our Board and Committee meetings on Zoom.

<https://legiscan.com/CA/drafts/SB411/2023>

Motion language recommended by DONE:

<https://vnnc.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/DONE-SB411-QA-.pdf>

Discussion and possible action to authorize the use of teleconferencing for Van Nuys Neighborhood Council meetings, including board meetings and committee meetings, in accordance with the rules established by Senate Bill 411, in order to offer increased accessibility to meetings and encourage more community engagement.

13. Announcements and identification of topics Board members would like to discuss at a future meeting.

14. Adjournment

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Neighborhood Council Board Member Oath

I pledge to represent my neighborhood with dignity, integrity, and pride.

I will encourage other points of view, even when they differ from my own.

I will respect, value, and consider everyone's opinion.

I will find the good in my neighborhood and praise it and promote it.

To my neighbors, and to neighborhoods throughout the City of Los Angeles, I pledge to do this to the best of my ability.